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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
SHIGEKI HIROOKA) : Examiner: G. C. Neurauter
Application No.: 09/337,546) : Art Unit: 2143
Filed: June 22, 1999) :
For: ELECTRONIC MAIL PROCESSING) :
METHOD AND APPARATUS : September 12, 2005

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Applicant petitions to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated May 12, 2005, up to and including September 11, 2005 (a Sunday). A check in the amount of \$120.00 for payment of the extension fee is enclosed. Please charge any additional fee required for the extension, and credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 06-1205.

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September 12, 2005
Date of Signature

A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) has been submitted concurrently herewith. Prior to continued examination, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner further to amend the above-identified application as follows, and to consider the Remarks made herein.